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SUBJECT: SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL VISIT TO EGYPT

1. ROUGH MEASURE OF SIGNIFICANCE GOE ATTACHED TO VISIT OF SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL DELEGATION MARCH 9-12 IS UNUSUAL ACCOUNT OF TIME SPENT BY DR. KREISKY WITH SADAT. ACCORDING TO PRESS, THEY DISCUSSED ME, JOINT INTERESTS, AND GOE/EUROPEAN RELATIONS FOR TWO HOURS ON MARCH 10. THE FOLLOWING DAY SADAT MET ENTIRE DELEGATION, WHICH COMPRISED REPRESENTATIVES OF SOCIALIST PARTIES IN UK, FRANCE, ITALY, JAPAN, FRG, AND AUSTRIA. DELEGATION MEMBERS ALSO HAD MEETINGS WITH VP FAWZI, DEP PM HEGAZY, FM FAHMY, PLO GROUP HEADED BY ARAFAT, AND HAFIZ AL-GHANIM, FIRST SECRETARY OF ARAB SOCIALIST UNION. DR. KREISKY VISITED ISMA'ILIA AND AUSTRIAN BATTALION ATTACHED TO UNEF.

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2. PRESS PLAY ON VISIT WAS MORE EXTENSIVE THAN IS USUAL

FOR VISITING OFFICIAL OR QUASI-OFFICIAL GROUPS, PROBABLY
BECAUSE OF PRESENCE OF DR. KREISKY WHO WAS HIGHLY PRAISED
IN CAIRO PAPERS AT TIME OF FEDAYEEN OPERATION AGAINST
SOVIET JEWS IN AUSTRIA.

3. COMMENT: CHEF DE CABINET OF HAFIZ AL-GHANIM TOLD
EMBOFF THAT VISIT HAD "SUCCEEDED". PURPOSE HAD SIMPLY BEEN
TO BROADEN CONTACTS WITH WESTERN EUROPEAN PARTIES AND AFFORD
CHANCE FOR PROMINENT WESTERN SOCIALISTS TO HAVE WIDE RANGING
DISCUSSIONS WITH ASU AND GOE. EGYPT, HE SAID, HAS NO RPT NO
INTENTION OF AFFILIATING WITH SI IN ANY CAPACITY, EVEN AS
"OBSERVER".
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